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A Decree of the Senate has lately been Publiſhed, promiſing a Pardon to all Perſons baniſhed out of the Territories of this Republick upon any account whatſoever, except Criminals of State, upon condition they pay a certain Sum of Money into the Publick Treaſury, to be fixed with regard to every ones Ability by Seven Noblemen appointed for that purpoſe; And there being a great number of the Subjects of this Republick now under Baniſhment, it's believed a very conſiderable Sum will be raiſed this way. A Man of War ſailed from hence laſt week for *Spalatro*, with ſome Diſpatches from the Senate to General *Mocenigo*, and 20000 Ducates to pay the *Venetian* Forces in *Dalmatia*. The Convoy of Proviſions for the *Morea* is not yet ſailed, Orders being given for their taking on board 800 Men of the Forces quartered in *Terra-firma*, which are to be ſent as Recruits to the *Venetian* Troops in the *Morea*. The Cardinal *Santa Croce*, who lately came hither from *Vienna*, where he reſided with the Character of the Pope's Nuntio, has continued his Journey to *Rome*; and we hear the Pope has ordered him to be welcomed at his arrival with a Penſion of 2000 Crowns.

Dantzick, Feb. 12. The Ratifications of the Treaty for the Reſtitution of the City of *Elbing* having been exchanged at *Mariembourg* by the Caſtellan *Wratzlewsky* and the Staroſt *Viſky*, Commiſſioners from the King and Republick of *Poland*, and the Baron *Overbeck* and Monſieur *Werner*, Deputies from the Elector of *Brandenburgh*; The Commiſſioners of *Poland* did, in purſuance of the ſaid Treaty, deliver to the Miniſters of *Brandenburgh* ſeveral Jewels, as a Security for the Payment of the 300000 Dollars the Republick is to pay his Electoral Highneſs in full Satisfaction of all his Pretenſions upon the Crown of *Poland*; And on the firſt Inſtant the City of *Elbing* was evacuated according to the ſaid Treaty. The Commiſſioners of *Poland* having taken Poſſeſſion thereof, ſummoned the Magiſtrates and Burghers to the Town-Hall, and told them, That by their having ſurrendred themſelves to the Elector of *Brandenburgh* without making any Reſiſtance, they had juſtly forfeited all their Privileges, but that the King and the Republick conſidering their Circumſtances with great Tenderneſs, were willing to paſs this over upon certain Conditions, one of which was, That they ſhould receive a Garriſon of the Troops of the Republick; This the Burghers ſhewed a great unwillingneſs to comply with, and after ſeveral Conferences between the Commiſſioners and the Magiſtrates, an Agreement was concluded, the principal Points of which are, That the King and Republick of *Poland* upon their Submiſſion are willing to receive the City again into their Favour, and to continue to them the Enjoyment of their Liberties and Privileges; That towards the Payment of the Money to be given to the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, the City ſhall contribute 50000 Dollars; That whereas their Garriſon formerly conſiſted only of 200 Men, they ſhall for the future maintain 300 Foot and 30 Horſe, and in caſe of any apparent Danger, ſhall increaſe their Garriſon to the number of 2000 Men; That the ſame ſhall be commanded by an experienced Officer, to whom the City ſhall allow a ſufficient Salary, and who ſhall take an Oath to be faithful to the Republick; And that beſides the Oaths uſually adminiſtred to the Preſident and chief Magiſtrates at their admiſſion into thoſe Offices, they ſhall Swear, That if the City happens to be Attacked by any Foreign Power, they will defend the ſame till the laſt extremity. Thus the Buſineſs of *Elbing* which has created much uneaſineſs in theſe Parts, is brought to a happy Concluſion. The Letters from *Warſaw* ſay, the Cardinal Primate with the great Officers of the Crown and the other Miniſters of State, were preparing the Matters to be laid before the General Diet, which is to meet ſoon after the King of *Poland*'s return from *Saxony*. The Gentlemen of *Lithuania* had ſent Deputies to the Cardinal, Complaining that the *Saxon* Forces that were employed in building the new Fortifications at *Polangen*, have taken Quarters in that Dutchy, which they look upon as very unreaſonable, there being already beſides their own Forces ſeveral other Regiments of the King's *Saxon* Troops quartered upon them. To which the Cardinal replied, That as ſoon as the King is returned, he will repreſent this Matter to him, aſſuring them they ſhould be gratified in any reaſonable Requeſt; ſo that theſe Deputies are returned home very well ſatisfied.

Vienna, Febr. 10. There is yet no time fixed for the Publick Audience of the *Turkiſh* Ambaſſador, and it's very probable 'twill be deferred till the Court receive an Account of the Arrival of Count *Oetting*, the Emperor's Ambaſſador at the Port, and of his reception there; The *Turkiſh* Ambaſſador has brought ſeveral Preſents to the Emperor from the Sultan his Maſter, and among others, a Tent very richly wrought and adorned, and ſeveral fine *Barbary* Horſes. The Biſhop of *Gomolinsky*, Envoy from the King of *Poland*, being recalled from that Employment, left this Court two days ago in order to go to *Rome*, and after ſome ſhort ſtay there, will return to *Warſaw*, to take Poſſeſſion of the Office of Vice-Chancellor of *Poland*, lately given him by the King his Maſter. Monſieur *Hop*, Envoy from the States-General, was preparing to return home, to take Poſſeſſion of his new Employment of Treaſurer-General of *Holland*; But he has received Orders to continue ſome time longer at this Court.

Hamburgh, Febr. 19. Very little Progreſs has hitherto been made in the Negociation for accommodating the Differences between the King of *Denmark* and the Duke of *Holſtein*, the *Daniſh* Miniſters ſtill inſiſting, that the demoliſhing of the Duke's new-built Forts be agreed upon as a Preliminary Article, before they proceed to the further adjuſting of this Matter; This the Duke of *Holſtein* ſeems reſolved not to conſent to; and ſome of the Mediators themſelves have expreſſed their Diſlike of it, by declaring they would look upon that Side as the Aggreſſor who ſhould reject the Project of a Preliminary Treaty they drew up ſome time ago, the foundation of which is, That all Things ſhould remain in the condition they are in at preſent, while the main Treaty is Negociating. In the mean time our Letters from *Copenhagen* ſay, the King of *Denmark*'s Miniſters are frequently in Conference with Monſieur *Viereck*, who reſides there on the part of the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, and with the *Sueduſh* Miniſter at that Court, upon the Affairs of *Holſtein*, and that divers Expreſſes have lately been ſent from thence to the Courts of *Sweden* and *Brandenburgh*, from which 'tis conjectured, the adjuſting of theſe Differences is negociating there. However theſe Advices add, that the Preparations in thoſe Parts both at Sea and Land are continued with great diligence; And we have the like Account from *Sueden*, the Letters from thence adviſing, that new Levies are making in that Kingdom, and that a ſtout Squadron is fitting out at *Carelſcroon*, which will put to Sea very early in the Spring under the Command of Admiral *Scioblat*. The King of *Sueden* has made Vice-Admiral *Roſenvelt* an Admiral, and Captain *Sioſterne* Vice-Admiral. They write from the Dutchy of *Holſtein*, that all things there continue very quiet, the Weather being ſo bad, and the ways ſo much ſpoiled by the great Rains, that the *Daniſh* Forces can have no thoughts of attempting any thing at preſent. They write from *Hanover*, that the Elector of *Hanover* was gone from thence to *Cell* to confer with the Duke of *Cell*, but would return in a very ſhort time. The Letters from *Dreſden* ſay, the Count of *Clerg* was arrived there with the Character of Envoy from the Emperor, and had Audience of the King of *Poland* on the 14th Inſtant, and that the King had given Orders to his Servants to prepare every thing for his Journey to *Warſaw*, intending very ſoon to return thither; 'Tis ſaid, the Queen will